

**ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION**

A method of collecting runtime information for an application in a computing system includes locating trace statements in a source code of the application, collecting information regarding the trace statements, and outputting the information for use by a user. A system for collecting runtime information for an application in a computing system includes a locate module, a collect module, and an output module. The locate module locates trace statements in a source code of an application. The collect module collects information regarding the trace statements. The output module outputs the information for use by a user.